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Attorney General John Ashcroft

US Department of Justice

950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW

Washington, DC 20530

Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I am pleased that a settlement has finally been reached in the Microsoft antitrust dispute. This legal battle has gone on long enough and has caused an increase in wasteful spending in state budgets and the misuse of American tax dollars.

Even though the settlement goes further than what Microsoft would have liked, it feels that settling the case now is the best thing to do to help the industry and economy move forward. The settlement is fair and reasonable, and was arrived at after extensive negotiations with a court appointed mediator.

We have spent enough time and financial resources on this legal battle. Microsoft needs stop litigating and resume innovating. Thank you for helping to make this settlement happen.

Sincerely,

Shelley Blumberg

cc: Senator Rick Santorum